# V3NLP: A Text Processing System for Clinical Notes 

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## From Text to Coded Data

- Text processing, natural language processing, information extraction, text mining


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## General Approach

- Analyze the task
- Select tools and methods
- Evaluate results


## Three Main Approaches

- Regular expression
- If we know the exact text pattern to search for
- Ontology/dictionary based approach
- If there is existing knowledge
- Machine learning
- If there is sufficient annotated data
- Mix and match different approaches based on specific clinical tasks


## Define extraction goals

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Translate extraction goals to NLP tasks


Create external reference standard

Evaluate performance

## Main Components

- Interface
- Library of NLP modules
- Framework
- Common data model and shared annotation labels


## Features in New Release

- New negation modules
- DB saving option
- Fast indexing modules


## Next Steps

- Update the existing V3NLP on VINCI
- Release V3NLP as open source software
- Incorporate new modules and features


## Questions \& Comments

- We would like to hear about your NLP needs
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